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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Jennifer Zweifel, 34, Janesville, was sentenced today in U.S. District Court in Madison to 42 months in prison, to be followed by a four-year term of supervised release, for distributing crack cocaine.

On January 24, 2007, Zweifel sold approximately seven grams of crack cocaine to a police informant at her residence in Janesville. At sentencing, Chief U.S. District Judge Barbara B. Crabb held Zweifel responsible for distributing a total of 25 grams of crack cocaine.

The charge against Zweifel was the result of an investigation conducted by the Rock County Safe Streets Task Force comprised of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms & Explosives; the Drug Enforcement Administration; the Rock County Sheriff's Department; the Beloit Police Department; the Janesville Police Department; and the Wisconsin Department of Justice, Division of Criminal Investigation-Narcotics Bureau. To date, a total of 37 defendants have been convicted of federal drug and gun charges resulting from Task Force investigations. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul W. Connell.

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